

# RAYS OF LIGHT

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## THE BEAUTIFUL NEW McPHERSON COLLEGE CARNEGIE LIBRARY.



McPherson College has our thanks for the donation of this beautiful Library Building, which now adorns  
the campus. The Library Building is located directly south of the main building, and west of the  
gymnasium. The upper floor contains the Reading rooms, Librarian's room, and the Book stack room. The  
lower floor contains the Museum. It is fitted with fine chandeliers for electric lighting, mission chairs,  
and steel book stacks. It also contains a beautiful clock, which rings the retiring and rising bell  
for the library. The windows are all fitted up with venetian blinds. The interior is beautiful. It needs  
no more to be appreciated.

On another page will be found a letter by the Secretary of the Alliance Insurance Co. of McPherson,  
the largest company of the kind in the state.

## THE SEPTEMBER VISITOR.

Our schools are of unusual interest to the Brotherhood. At this time of the year when the young man and woman is planning where he will spend next year in school the interest in our educational institutions increases. Then later as the sons and daughters leave home and enter one of our colleges, do the hearts of fond parents turn daily to the same places. From every angle our schools are becoming more and more great centers in the church.

It will be interesting to look upon the faces of the men who stand at the head of these institutions and have a brief outline of what each school is doing for the church. This is just what is planned for the September Visitor. It is the intention to have a short write up of each one of our educational institutions and a picture of the president.

### FACTS.

Our Business College is unexcelled in the west and is growing into national reputation. Students from Normal and Collegiate departments get life certificates.

Bible School—Full course by competent instructors; tuition free; excellent church services; good Sunday School, prayer meetings and Bible classes.

We can help boys and girls of limited means. We would like to meet you at McPherson College on opening day, September 10.

### TO OUR FRIENDS.

There is one phase in the management of an educational institution that is purely a business consideration—and that is the building up of its attendance. Unless liberally endowed, a school depends for its existence and prosperity directly upon the number of pupils enrolled, just as a mercantile concern depends for its success upon the amount of its patronage.

If it were possible for us to speak in person with the parents of the thousands upon thousands of young people who are "going away to school" for the first time, somewhere this year, we could no doubt point out convincingly that McPherson College is ideally located—no saloons, far enough away from town or city, from bad influences and associations; that the courses of study and exercises are wholesomely blended; that we teach *HABIT* as well as *HOMER*—*OLYMP TRICKING* as well as *CALCULUS*.

All these arguments we could bring to bear upon the interested listener, and feel that we were

overstepping no odds in our loyalty to McPherson College. There is, however, a certain amount of indirect advertising by our worthy and loyal alumni, the praise of our pupils, the commendation of parents and citizens, but we believe this could be greatly increased if our friends, who know of prospective students, would drop us a line of information and give us their names and addresses. May we hear from you after reading this paper.

### GOES TO ARIZONA.

C. H. Slifer, for several years principal of the East side school, has been elected superintendent of the Winslow, Arizona, schools, at a large salary. Mr. Slifer is a successful teacher, and will do good work for education wherever employed.—Democrat.

C. H. Slifer is one of McPherson College's old stand-bys. He is probably known by more McPherson College students than any other student that ever attended McPherson College. He has been in McPherson College at different times for the past fifteen years.

He graduated from the Normal department also from the College department, and received a state certificate. He now has a salary of \$112.50 per month. He was a poor boy, came from Western Kansas and worked his way through school, and now is reaping his reward.

### CHOOSING A COLLEGE.

You should be as careful in choosing a college where to procure a practical education, as you are about your health. If you require the services of a physician you place yourself in the hands of one who is skilled and experienced. Is it not as important to select the right institution, with skilled and experienced instructors to educate you from a practical stand point, as well as shape your future?

McPherson College offers modern equipped school rooms and competent instructors, who will work in your behalf to obtain the best possible results. You get especial quality, not only mental, but moral. If you will work as hard for your own interests as we will, the outcome is sure to be beneficial.

### AN OPEN LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT.

McPherson, Kans., Aug. 20, 1907.

To certain young people I have met:—

I do not want to be personal, and will not mention your names. Neither do I wish to offend anybody. But there are times for plain speak-

If you want  
 Anything  
 Get after it



Our old students will recognize the above. It is a pen sketch made by a former McPherson College student, Prof. J. F. Bowers, Easton, Pennsylvania.

I feel that this is one of them. I hope that what I say here may be received in the same kindly spirit in which it is given.

I have observed recently a little indecision, not a positive indifference, on your part, about the matter of your going to school. You are in doubt whether it is worth while; whether, at any rate, it would not better put it off another year and see what turns up by that time. I confess I am surprised at you. As for things turning up, I should rather suppose they will. They have several times in the past, anyway. The thing you want to look out for is that you are not under them when they come.

The trouble with most young people is that they are not prepared to take advantage of the chances that are lying around loose everywhere. The world was never so full of openings for the worthy young man or woman, opportunities for every kind of honorable achievement; NEVER, I say, at even when America was clamoring to be discovered, nor when the Declaration of Independence was being hunted around for somebody to write it—NEVER, I say, as it is today. You get ready. Ask your friends whether they wish they had less education, or more. Then act.

Now let me say a word as to the place. If you can find a place that will give you better returns for your time and money and industry than McPherson College, that is the place for you. Here are some things you will find at McPherson: You

will find a company of young people from the best families of the country, who will count you as one of them and will make you feel right at home. They will not "initiate" you, nor will they stand off several rods and look at you until you wish you was farther off still. And you will find a body of teachers, tried and true, and ready to help you in every possible way. Our faculty is not made up of the left-overs or cast-offs of the teaching profession—men and women who have failed to make good elsewhere, neither is it a group of novices yet to be tested. They are men and women who have proved their worth. In fact, we think that good teachers are the making of a college. Not that we are indifferent to material equipment, libraries and laboratories, and all that sort of thing. If we were, we would not have worked so hard for that fine new library just ready for use. But good teachers are, in our judgment, the first consideration. That is the kind we have at McPherson. I want you to know them.

I hope I have not hurt your feelings. I am trusting you to pardon my frankness, but I want you to know that I am interested in you. I want you to settle that question of an education right, and to settle it right now. Be on hand for the opening day and get a good start. We'll give you a square deal.

Very Respectfully,  
 EDWARD FRANTS.

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## EDITORIAL

Our courses of study are approved by the State Board of Education. Our teachers are men and women of education, tact and experience, who work zealously for the advancement of each and every pupil.

The phenomenal success of McPherson College in general stimulates the faculty in their endeavor to keep it constantly the only representative College of this vicinity, and all young people who desire to fit themselves for life's work will do well to investigate thoroughly its advantages before deciding where to attend.

Faculty and instructors consist of from 25 to 30 of whom a number are College or University graduates, (representing Harvard University, University of Chicago, Kansas State University, Illinois Wesleyan, etc.) and others, graduates of spe-

## THE GLAD HAND.



Come, shake, a hearty welcome to students new and old.

cial schools or departments, comprising a variety of talent and power not usually found in schools of this class.

McPherson College has become a mighty power for education. Annual enrollment over 500. A letter costs 2 cents. Write us. It will pay you. Let us become acquainted.

McPherson College is now entering upon its twentieth school year. Its efforts must be to increase its efficiency. A splendid beginning has been made. The late Elder Perry Beckner willed McPherson College \$500 for which McPherson College friends are very grateful and desire the blessings of God to rest upon the giver and upon the gift, as also upon those in whose behalf it is to be expended.

The income from tuition fees cannot be expected to cover more than about one-half of the cost of a liberal

education. McPherson College needs additional endowment in order to meet its annual budgets. The library needs more books. We now have 10,000 volumes. We must greatly increase the number in the near future. Several thousand dollars could be invested to great advantage.

If our friends would give but little of their means to help purchase new books, and that they may be placed at the disposal of the young, it would do much good.

Our rooms are large, light, well ventilated, steam heated and are completely and elegantly equipped for the business of teaching. Fine rooms are not found in the West.

### DEDICATORY ADDRESS.

Professor W. L. Burdick of the State University will deliver the Dedicatory Address at the Carnegie Library exercises the evening of September 10th. Professor Burdick is an able speaker and will deliver a splendid address.

## HOME SWEET HOME IN McPHERSON COLLEGE.

The ebbing tides of the ocean always turn again home. We commend all absent "McPherson College Students" wherever you may be, to be guided by this precept of the sea.

In the memory of every old student of McPherson College are pictures of by-gone college days, painted in colors that will never fade away.

Ye "McPherson College Students," come back! Drink at the old well of Education as you oft have done before. In the breast of every absent student we hope to create a desire that will bring you back to McPherson College.

Room as far as you may, there is yet that mystic, invisible chord which runs from your heart back to old McPherson College. Since the day you bade adieu, much of the old college place and people have undergone changes; but if you will come again someone will meet you who said "Good-bye" the day you went away.

"WELCOME," in capital letters will be written across our hearts and we will grasp your hand and give you greetings as roses greet the dew. In all the world there is no place like McPherson College.

From far and near will come a host of students to enroll in McPherson College, September 10, 1907. An interesting program will be rendered. We will make you glad you came. We ask your presence and your influence.

"Breathes there a man with soul so dead, who to himself" will not say, "I love my Alma Mater, McPherson College. I am going back to McPherson College." We appeal to all who ever called McPherson College "Home," to come and join the happy throng.

Topeka, June, 1907.

McPherson College, located in the beautiful town from which it derives its name, is one of the most meritorious educational institutions in Kansas. I know much of its character and work and most heartily commend it—  
E. W. Hoch, Governor of Kansas.



Y. W. C. A. CABINET.

### WEDDING BELLS.

Mr. Guy Breon of Smith County and Miss Eva Cline, ceremony performed by Pres. Frantz. A quiet home wedding June 9.

A pretty home wedding celebrated June 3. Mr. C. Edgar Lindell of Windom and Miss Nellie Slosson by Rev. W. M. Berkeley. The bride is an accomplished musician and the groom is cashier of the Windom bank.

June 30, at 5 o'clock, Mr. Clarence Moreland of Los Angeles and Miss Beate Brubaker, the wedding a simple home affair only a few relatives and friends present. Ceremony by Rev. G. D. Kuns, at home in Los Angeles.

At the home of the brides parents in Rice County July 17, Miss Sadie Boone and Mr. F. E. Pfoutz were united in marriage by Elder J. C. Siebert. After visiting with the groom's parents in Iowa they will be at home on their homestead in eastern Colorado.

Mr. Enos Miller of the collegiate class of 1904 was married to Miss Ursula Miller of Jet, Okla., Saturday, June 16, '07, and is now living in the residence of Prof. S. J. Miller on College Hill. We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Miller among us and trust that their life will be a long and happy one.

All these students of McPherson College have the hearty congratulations and best wishes of the faculty and students. May success be theirs.

### Y. W. C. A. HOTEL.

The girls of the Membership and Social committees of the Association, will as usual, meet trains and welcome girls who come, thus making them feel at home among us.

The girls will be glad to welcome their old friend and co-worker, Miss Corda Clement of Canton, Ohio, who expects to return to us at the opening of school.

Miss Nellie Green and Miss Lillian Young will attend the summer conference of the Y. W. C. A. at Cascade, Colo., Aug. 23 to Sept. 3, and will doubtless have many good things to give us out of their experiences when they return.

Plans are being made to make the Y. W. C. A. reading and rest room more comfortable and attractive before the opening of school. Many of the best magazines and papers will be found on its table, and an attempt will be made to make the room in every way worthy of the name it bears.

The Woman's Section of the World's Student Christian Federation Conference held at Tokyo, Japan, was particularly interesting in its personnel. Although naturally not so extensive, either in number of delegates, or in countries represented, as the men's section, Great Britain, United States, Holland, Sweden, Italy, Australia, India and China sent representatives and Japan itself was represented from Hakodate to Nagasaki by more than sixty women. Eleven out of the

twelve Young Women's Christian Associations in Japan sent delegates, and many others from Government schools in various parts of the country were present. China was represented by four Chinese ladies, and India by Miss Lilivad Singh, Professor of English Literature in the Isabella Thoburn College. In its personnel alone, it was a never-to-be-forgotten gathering.—The Association Monthly.

#### PERSONAL MENTION.

School opens September 10th.

Dr. B. O. Clarke will practice at Boise, Idaho.

Miss Stella Andes will teach near Burr Oak, Kan.

Prof. and Mrs. Harnly attended the Ottawa Chautauqua.

H. M. Barwick, '05 will edit the *Inglebrook*, Elgin, Ill.

Ray Baldwin will take post graduate at K. S. U. this year.

Prof. Clement is spending vacation in the University of Chicago.

Pres. Frenetz has spent part of the summer in Chicago and Dakota.

Miss Minnie Bartels will do graduate work at the State University.

Foster Cline will pursue a course in Law at K. S. U. the coming year.

Wm. Royer of Newton, Kan., will return bringing his brother with him.

J. H. B. Williams, '06 will work in the office of the Missionary Visitor, Elgin, Ill.

Mr. E. McChristy, Commercial graduate of last year, has a position in Chicago.

Our Senior Normals of last year nearly all have schools at \$50 and up per month.

Miss Nellie Hope has been visiting with her sister Mrs. Dr. M. Miller of Elgin, Ill.

Easter came on March 31st in 1872 and in 1918 Easter will come on March 31st again.

Elder Andrew Hutchinson was at home for several weeks and gave us several good sermons.

Electric lights have been put in the chapel, kitchen and dining room and halls in the dormitory.



Y. M. C. A. CABINET.

R. Deter, B. Trustle and R. Bixby attended the Y. M. C. A. summer conference at Lake Geneva.

B. B. Baker, '01 and wife announce the birth of a daughter on Saturday, July 20, '07, Pennville, Ind.

G. R. Harrison who attended McPherson College twelve years ago painted the Carnegie library.

The hitching posts have been removed from the campus and placed east and south and west of the college.

Dr. and Mrs. W. Henston and family of Sockdale visited Prof. Harnly and other special friends July 4th.

The books are being arranged and the venetian blinds and mission furniture placed in the new Carnegie library.

Mr. W. O. Beckner is spending the summer in Sunday School work, being secretary of the southwest Kansas District.

The campus between the main building and the library has been graded and seeded to blue grass and white clover.

R. W. Deter has graduated in Veterinary Dentistry and is now practicing. If your horse gets the tooth ache call on him.

Dr. and Mrs. Snyder of Leavenworth, Kan., and Mrs. Lichty of Wellington spent several weeks with their parents Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Snyder.

Miss Fannie Horner, a former student, accompanied by her sister, visited Prof. Harnly on their return from a trip to the coast.

Mrs. Stauffer is spending the summer at the state normal in special preparation for her work as director of the model school.

Prof. Fahnestock has returned from an extended trip east. He stopped in Chicago, various points in Ohio and Jamestown Exposition.

Mr. Hollinger has returned from his trip to the coast and will now be busy getting the buildings ready for the opening in September.

E. K. Masterson, A. M. class '02, now a Baptist minister visited G. D. Kuns and other friends and preached a good sermon in the chapel.

J. A. G. Shirk, class '01, and head of Pre-Engineering course, Ottawa University is spending his vacation with his brother and parents.

Miss Nellie Hinkson, B. S. D. has been employed to teach art. Miss Hinkson is spending the summer in Topeka in special study for her work.

The normal graduates all have good positions and good salaries. Our graduates are in demand. It pays to take the normal course at McPherson College.

The room formerly used by the Elocution classes will be the president's recitation room and the Elocution department will occupy Room 1

J. P. Vaniman had his house painted this summer.

S. A. Pollock has just painted Prof. Mun's residence.

John Andes has been spending the summer in Missouri.

Mrs. Doris Clement is teaching music at Morgenville.

Miss Olive Snyder is visiting her sister in Wellington.

W. J. Sifer painted Mrs. Lydia Fahnestock's house.

The outlook is good for a large school the coming year.

Robert Cram of Bird city, is bringing his brother with him.

Boiler-makers have repaired the boiler. It is in excellent shape now.

Quite a number of the old students report that they will be back to old M. C.

The Misses Johnson of Wichita are spending part of the summer in Colorado.

President Franz returned from a trip to North Dakota, where he was visiting his sister.

Grace Vaniman is spending part of the summer visiting relatives and friends in Illinois.

M. O. Kilmer has moved six miles south on a farm. He has rented the farm for three years.

F. H. Crumpacker and wife, Class '00, will not sail for China until the next annual conference.

Emily Shirky, after working hard the summer school, has gone to her home in Missouri for a little rest.

Mrs. Mary Trostle and her daughter Eva have moved into their new house south of President Arnold's old home.

W. W. Witmore, a prominent lawyer of Bloomington, Ill., spent a few days with Prof. Harnly, an old college friend.

Mrs. Jos. Andes has returned from an extended visit with her daughter Mattie in Chicago, and Ethel at Elgin, Ill.

Rev. Mockermann of Ohio visited with his sister Mrs. Muir. He preached a good sermon in the chapel and has been engaged for a revival service in November.

Mrs. Heiney of Nebr., has bought the Witmore place and will take possession in September. She has some boys to put in school.

J. C. Ullery returned from California and left immediately for North Manchester, Ind., where they will visit Mr. Ullery's mother.

Elder Witmore and wife, after spending a year or two traveling, hope to return to College Hill and build on their lots north of the place they sold.

You are cordially invited to attend the opening exercises of McPherson College September 10, at 10 o'clock. Opening address by Rev. F. C. Crumpacker.

Mrs. C. J. Shirk has returned from a visit in New York and Pennsylvania and will be ready to take up her duties as librarian at the opening of school, Sept. 10.

Mr. George Kuns, class of '04, has graduated from the school of Theology, University of Chicago and with his family is resting a few weeks at home.

Twentieth session opens Sept. 10, at 10 o'clock. Come and enjoy the

exercises with us. Don't forget the date. We want you to visit us and see the new Carnegie library.

The prospects for the coming school year are bright, indeed, and we propose, as far as possible to assist in making the coming year the best in the history of McPherson College.

Prof. S. J. Miller, Ira Arnold and A. E. Hedine are spending the summer in Mt. Venn Mining & Milling Co. of Russell, Colo. Miller and Arnold are fast becoming expert miners and Hedine cook.

E. R. Burkholder was the first to donate books to the new Carnegie library. He gave the Works of Edgar Allen Poe in ten volumes, price \$7.50. McPherson College is very thankful to him for the fine donation.

Miss Louise W. Johnson will take charge of the school of Elocution and Expression of McPherson College this coming year. She comes highly recommended. She has had a number of years experience. "She is a young woman of sterling worth and good sense, and I heartily recommend her."—Miss Mary A. Blood.



If you want to locate near one of the best Colleges in the West write us; we make a specialty of locating our people

**JOS. ANDES**  
REAL ESTATE AGENT  
McPherson, ; ; ; Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Harny of Abilene, Ill., on their return from an extended tour to the coast, stopped several weeks with their son, Prof. Harny and daughter, Mrs. R. Brubaker.

We received a beautiful catalogue from Easton Business College. The first page contains pictures of the faculty of which Prof. J. F. Bowers, a former McPherson College student is one of the leading representatives.

Benj. B. Unruh, a former college boy writes us; "I have accepted a position with the McClurg & Nafziger Lumber Co. and am going to Lonswolf, Okla., to take charge of one of their yards there." Mr. Unruh has been a successful young man.

Harry Crumpacker, class '08, spent several months on the coast. Among other things he has learned that the Frisco people are still in need of suit cases and clothing, so made them an involuntary donation of a \$10 case and a clergy suit.

Mr. Clayton Rock of Abilene and for several years a student, died in Arizona where he had gone for his health. Mr. Rock was a young man of more than ordinary character and worth. The Abilene papers speak very highly of him and his influence as a Christian young man.

If the work at McPherson College, Kansas, is to be gauged by the catalogue sent out this year, the institution has much to recommend it. The catalogue is on our desk and makes a handsome cloth-bound volume of eighty-eight, neatly printed pages.—The Gospel Messenger.

Mrs. Amanda Whitmore is preparing some beautiful designs made of California shells for the new museum. They cannot be described; you will have to see them. We thank Mrs. Whitmore heartily for her remembrance of the College. We are largely dependent upon our friends for the building up of the collections.

I am always glad to hear from my Alma Mater. I received the catalogue and thank you for it. She puts out the finest catalogue of any institution I have ever seen, but to fully appreciate her worth one must come under her

# FACULTY AND INSTRUCTORS

## 1907-1908.

"I maintain, my friends, that every one of us should seek out THE BEST TEACHER whom he can find, regardless of expense or anything."

- EDWARD FRANTS, A. M.** President,  
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- H. J. HARNY, A. M., Ph. D.**  
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Director of Chaperon House.
- IRA VANMAN,**  
Director of Gymnasium.

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JENNIE BUSH SHIRK  
Librarian.

Others supplied on close examination demanded.

influences for a time. To all, who would be students, I recommend McPherson College.—Mary B. Flory, Shickley, Neb. We have received many similar letters like the above. If you are interested send for our fine illustrated catalogue.

### CATALOGUE.

That McPherson College catalogue has been appreciated by our students and friends, we are convinced by the many kind expressions we have received. If interested send for one.

### READERS.

You should be with us to enjoy the opening day exorcism of McPherson College, September 10, at 10 o'clock.

**S. G. MILLER, A. M.**

Was in Boston, New York and visited Sleepy Hollow, and will be back

to take up his work as Professor of English Literature, by Sept. 10.

This monument is a credit indeed to the College, and represents what an indomitable will to do and accomplish things, has done for McPherson, and we want in our feeble way to join in hearty approval of your splendid success and hope that the monument you have erected will be a disseminator of intelligence for the coming centuries, and that those who may have the opportunity to take advantage of the splendid collection of literary thoughts, may not forget the unselfish efforts of the leading spirit in its accomplishment.

With kind personal regards to the faculty, I am,

Sincerely yours,

C. F. Mingenback.

The above comes from the Secretary of the largest Insurance Company in Kansas.